



Commonwealth  
of Massachusetts

# Form CPF 18A : Report of Independent Expenditure Promoting Election or Defeat of Candidate(s)

## Office of Campaign and Political Finance

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1. Date of Report:

(Must be filed within 7 business days of expenditure(s) in excess of \$100.00 in aggregate)

2. Expenditure(s) Made By:

(Name of individual or group making expenditure)

Street Address

City/Town

Zip

3. Name of Candidate(s) For Whom the Above Expenditure(s) Election or Defeat Promoted:

4. Expenditure(s):

Date Paid	To Whom Paid	Address	Purpose	Amount

I hereby certify the expenditures noted are independent expenditures, as defined by M.G.L. c.55, section 18A:

- (1) the individual(s) or group who made the expenditure(s) described herein did not solicit or receive any contributions in contemplation of such expenditure(s); and
- (2) the individual(s) or group who made the expenditure(s) described herein did not cooperate, consult or act in concert with or at the request or suggestion of any candidate, or political committee organized on behalf of any candidate, or any agent of a candidate or any political committee in making such expenditure(s).

I further certify that all statements made herein are true and accurate.

Signed under the penalties of perjury:

Signature

Date

Print Name of Individual Signer and Title (if signing on behalf of a group)

## **Who Should File This Form?**

Any individual, group or association not defined as a political committee, who makes an independent expenditure(s) in an aggregate amount exceeding \$100.00 during any calendar year for the purpose of promoting the election or defeat of any candidate(s).

## **What Is An Independent Expenditure?**

M.G.L. Chapter 55, section 18A states in part:

*The term 'independent expenditure' shall mean an expenditure by an individual, group, or association not defined as a political committee expressly advocating the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate which is made without cooperation or consultation with any candidate, or a nonelected political committee organized on behalf of a candidate, or any agent of a candidate and which is not made in concert with, or at the request or suggestion of, any candidate, or nonelected political committee organized on behalf of a candidate or agent of such candidate.*

## **When Should This Form Be Filed?**

This report must be filed within seven (7) business days of the date the aggregate independent expenditure(s) exceed \$100.00 during a calendar year.

## **Where Should This Form Be Filed?**

For expenditures to support or oppose state and county candidates this form should be filed with the Director

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For expenditures to support or oppose municipal candidates this form should be filed with the city or town clerk or election commission.

## **For further information:**

Please contact the Office of Campaign and Political Finance at (617) 727-8352